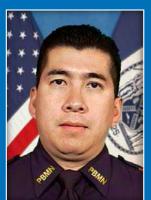
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## POLICE OFFICER KEVIN M. LEE

Manhattan North Grand Larceny Unit



n January 27, 2006, Police Officer Kevin M. Lee suffered a fatal heart attack following a foot pursuit and struggle with three suspects wanted for Grand Larceny.

Police Officer Lee was part of a surveillance team that was tailing a group of men who appeared to be casing stores on a 15 block stretch

along Lexington Avenue in the Upper East Side of Manhattan.

Employees at one of the stores informed a member of the surveillance team that the men had stolen a laptop computer. Officer Lee and his team received the alert and moved in to apprehend the suspects who then fled northbound on foot. The officers caught up to the suspects on East 86th Street and a struggle ensued. During the altercation, Officer Lee lost consciousness. Officers on the scene performed CPR and were able to revive Officer Lee. He was taken to Lenox Hill Hospital, but died one hour later.

Two of the suspects were taken into custody at the scene and the third was arrested several days later.

On June 12, 2007, Officer Lee was posthumously awarded the New York City Police Department's Purple Shield Medal.

Police Officer Kevin M. Lee served with the New York City Police Department for a total of 13 years and 6 months: 3 ½ years as an auxiliary officer followed by 10 years as a full time sworn officer. He was 31 years old. Officer Lee was survived by his wife, Erica; his son, Adam; his sister, Jeanine; and his parents, Gilbert and Catherine who serve as Executive Board members of the Metro New York Chapter of Concerns of Police Survivors (C.O.P.S)



